MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chairman Bill McChesney, on February 4, 2009 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 317-B Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:
    Rep. Bill McChesney, Chairman (D)
    Sen. Rick Laible, Vice Chairman (R)
    Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen (D)
    Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Excused:
    Rep. Walter McNutt (R)
    Rep. Bill Nooney (R)
    Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Mark Bruno, OBPP
                Greg DeWitt, Legislative Branch
                Mitzi Grover, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website. Due to a committee break, several audio recordings were made to cover the entirety of the meeting. After the first part of the meeting and its audio recording, a minute and eighteen seconds of silence was added to the final recording to represent the committee break before the second audio portion begins. The second portion of the audio recording for the meeting begins as the minute's time stamp of 00:05:18.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: Department of Revenue

Executive Action: DP 10001, DP 20001, DP 70007,
                     DP 70002, DP 7021, DP 70003,
                     DP 9000, DP 80001, DP 80002,
                     Proprietary Rates 0655

Committee Clarification:

00:00:37 Chairman McChesney
00:01:05 Mr. Stayner
00:02:38 Sen. Laible
00:02:42 Mr. Stayner
00:02:50 Mr. Stayner
00:03:06 Sen. Laible
00:03:32 Chairman McChesney
00:03:38 Sen. Laible
00:03:47 Sen. Zinke

00:04:08 Recess
00:05:18 Reconvene

Department of Revenue

Executive Action:

00:05:50 Rep. Sesso entered
00:07:15 Sen. Zinke
00:08:02 Dan Bucks, Director, Department of Revenue
00:09:04 Sen. Zinke
00:09:17 Mr. Bucks
00:11:54 Sen. Zinke
00:12:00 Mr. Bucks

00:12:34 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 10001** present law
          base adjustment for the Director's Office **BE ADOPTED.**
          Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney
          and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

00:14:40 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 20001** present law
          base adjustment, Information Technology and Processing
          BE DEFERRED. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
          Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

00:14:48 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved language to maintain
          inventories and transfer profits and taxes **BE ADOPTED.**

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. McNutt and Rep. Nooney voted by proxy.

00:15:39 **Motion:** Sen. Laible moved language to pay overtime and hire temporary staff to meet demand **BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

00:16:35 Chairman McChesney
00:16:43 Sen. Laible
00:17:11 Mr. DeWitt
00:18:55 Sen. Laible
00:19:37 Chairman McChesney

00:20:13 Sen. Laible withdrew his motion on language to pay overtime and hire temporary staff.

00:19:48 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved language to pay overtime and hire temporary staff to meet demand and the language to pay for termination pay-outs be put in DP format, and included in HB 2. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

00:21:27 Rep. Sesso

00:21:53 **Motion:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 70007** debt collection for child support cases **BE DEFERRED.**

Discussion:

00:22:16 Rep. Sesso
00:22:43 Sen. Laible
00:23:36 Rep. Sesso
00:24:30 Sen. Zinke
00:25:07 Sen. Laible
00:25:22 Sen. Labile withdrew his motion.
00:25:57 Mr. DeWitt
00:27:34 Rep. Sesso
00:28:16 Sen. Laible
00:28:24 Rep. Sesso
00:28:46 Sen. Laible

00:25:40 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 70007** debt collection for child support cases **BE ADOPTED.** Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

00:29:38   **Motion:** Chairman McChesney moved **DP 70002** nonresident and non filer tax compliance **BE ADOPTED.**

00:30:07   Sen. Laible
00:30:52   Mr. Bruno
00:31:17   Sen. Zinke
00:32:29   Chairman McChesney
00:32:58   Sen. Laible

00:33:26   **Vote:** Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

00:34:09   **Motion:** Sen. Zinke moved **DP 7021** abandoned property program workload increase **BE ADOPTED.**

00:34:26   Sen. Laible
00:34:47   Sen. Zinke withdrew his motion.

00:34:52   **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Zinke moved **DP 7021** abandoned property program workload increase **BE DEFERRED.** Motion carried 5-2. Sen. Hansen and Rep. McChesney voted no. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

00:35:02   Rep. Sesso
00:36:16   Sen. Zinke
00:37:16   Chairman McChesney
00:38:02   Sen. Laible
00:38:15   Sen. Zinke

00:39:42   **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 70003** reduce smoking **BE DEFERRED.** Motion passed 5-2. Sen. Hanson and Chairman McChesney voted no. Rep. Nooney and Rep. Mcnutt voted aye by proxy.

00:40:20   **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Zinke moved **DP 9000** partial funding of business equipment tax cut **BE DEFERRED.** Motion passed 6-1. Sen. Hansen voted no. Rep. McNutt and Rep. Nooney voted aye by proxy.

00:41:00   **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved proprietary rates for BIT collection services fund 06554 **BE ADOPTED**. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

00:41:44   **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Sesso moved **DP 80001** present law base adjustment **BE ADOPTED.** Motion passed unanimously by

voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

00:42:18 **Motion:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 80002** improving property appraisal accuracy **BE DEFERRED.**

Discussion:

00:43:32 Rep. Sesso
00:44:49 Sen. Laible
00:46:23 Rep. Sesso
00:46:43 Mr. DeWitt
00:47:54 Rep. Sesso
00:48:48 Sen. Laible

00:49:52 **Vote:** Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

00:50:33 Adjournment: 11:45 A.M.

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Mitzi Grover, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT(jgh26bad.pdf)